#### SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

# HEARING OFFICER DIRECTIVE

DOCKET NO. 2017-370-E, 2017-207-E, 2017-305-E ORDER NO. 2018-160-H

# **OCTOBER 31, 2018**

David Butler Hearing Officer

# DOCKET DESCRIPTION:

<u>Docket No. 2017-370-E</u> – Joint Application and Petition of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company and Dominion Energy, Incorporated for Review and Approval of a Proposed Business Combination between SCANA Corporation and Dominion Energy, Incorporated, as May Be Required, and for a Prudency Determination Regarding the Abandonment of the V.C. Summer Units 2 & 3 Project and Associated Customer Benefits and Cost Recovery Plans

<u>Docket No. 2017-207-E</u> – Friends of the Earth and Sierra Club, Complainant/Petitioner v. South Carolina Electric & Gas Company, Defendant/Respondent

<u>Docket No. 2017-305-E</u> – Request of the Office of Regulatory Staff for Rate Relief to South Carolina Electric & Gas Company's Rates Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-27-920

#### MATTERS UNDER CONSIDERATION:

- 1) Request for date certain for SCE&G witnesses Lapson and Hevert
- 2) Motion to Dismiss and Strike Pre-Hearing Brief of the South Carolina Public Service Authority

# **HEARING OFFICER ACTION:**

- 1) SCE&G requests a date certain for witnesses Lapson and Hevert of November 16, 2018. The two are expert witnesses who have previous commitments and are scheduled to present testimony in other proceedings. The date certain of November 16, 2018 is granted.
- 2) The Motion to Dismiss and Strike the Pre-Hearing Brief of the South Carolina Public Service Authority is denied. A pre-hearing brief does not constitute pre-filed testimony, nor does its content constitute evidence in the case. A pre-hearing brief is tantamount to an argument or statement of counsel. Accordingly, the Motion to Dismiss and Strike is denied. This completes the Directive.